



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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April 29, 2021

Mr. Kevin Harrison
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RE: Comments on 100 Percent Designs for the District Department of Transportation’s Virginia Avenue NW Protected Bike Lanes Project (NOI #21-01-PSD)

Dear Mr. Harrison,

At its regular meeting on April 21, 2021, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (**6-0-0**), after a motion made by Commissioner Epstein and seconded by Commissioner Omicin, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has requested comment from the public and ANC 2A on Notice of Intent (NOI) #21-01-PSD, which provides for [100 percent designs](#) of Virginia Avenue NW between Constitution Avenue and Rock Creek Park and Potomac Parkway NW, including two-way protected bike lanes, and

WHEREAS, coordination around loading management, ensuring negligible losses in the efficiency of vehicular circulation, the expansion of pedestrian safety improvements, access to Capital Bikeshare, and safe protected bicycle facilities were pursued between neighborhood and community stakeholders on the Virginia Avenue NW corridor, including cycling and safe street advocates, restaurants and liquor stores with loading needs, the Watergate residences, the Watergate Hotel, the Watergate office buildings, the National Park Service (NPS), and ANC 2A.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A supports the [100 percent designs](#) in this NOI as presented, with the following modifications:

1. Add a seamless painted transition to the 21st Street NW protected bike lanes, in the north and south directions, where they intersect with Virginia Avenue NW, modeled on what currently exists in these designs at the intersection with G Street NW, and
2. The closure of the 1700 block of Virginia Avenue NW to all vehicle traffic, as unanimously approved by the ANC in a resolution in May of 2019.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A would like to reiterate its support for the following items already included in these concept designs:

1. That there is no net loss of parking spaces; in fact, more parking spaces are created, and
2. The signalization of the G Street and Virginia Avenue NW intersection, as called for in a [resolution](#) unanimously approved by the ANC in June of 2015.

Commissioners Donna Barbisch (2A04@anc.dc.gov), Yannik Omictin (2A01@anc.dc.gov), and Jeri Epstein (2A01@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Jeri Epstein
Chairperson

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Joe Florio, Mayor’s Office of Community Relations and Services
Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Ward 2
Everett Lott, Interim Director, DDOT